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Orderly issuance of government contracts to private firms in Peiping and Mukden has helped to increase their production. The processing of government orders by the private firms in Peiping for the first 6 months in 1953 was 229.6 percent (base year 1950). At present, 54 percent of the total output of private firms in these areas are for government contracts, as compared to 31 percent for 1950. There are 3,600 private processing firms in Peiping, most of which are engaged in production of flour, cotton cloth, drugs, utensils, and fountain pens.

Thirteen paper mills are to be built or rebuilt in China in 1953. The Chia-mu-ssu Paper Mill in the Northeast, the Kwangtung Paper Mill in the Northeast, and the Kwangtung Paper Mill in Kwangtung are the largest ones to be rebuilt. The Kwangtung Paper Mill is famous for its newsprint.

The Tientsin Chung-hua Match Manufacturing Company recently launched a campaign to combat waste and inefficiency in its plants.

There are 205 factories in Mukden engaged in the manufacture of materials and parts for water heaters.

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BATTERY FACTORY LOCATION -- Teintsin, Ta Kung Pao, 17 Oct 53

The Hsin-sheng Electric Battery Factory, is located at Nan-shih-t'ou, Ho-nan, Canton, Kwangtung.

BEDDING PLANT MEETS GOAL -- Mukden, Tung-pei Jih-pao, 22 Jul 53

The An-shan Bedding Manufacturing Plant has fulfilled the planned production goal for the first half year of 1953.

SEWING MACHINE IMPROVED -- Tientsin Jih-pao, 26 Apr 53

A worker of Sewing Section No 2 of the Tientsin Bedding Manufacturing Plant, Military Supplies Department, Rear Services Department, North China Military District, invented a sewing machine with a double presser-foot to hold material to be sewn.

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